Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A method for tracking for a vehicle, trip data in relation to geographic position, said method comprising:

recording trip data periodically and time stamping each periodic recording;
recording geographic position periodically and time stamping each recording;
saving the time stamped trip data and geographic position in a database; and
electronically monitoring trip data and recording trip data and geographic position when
trip data indicates a predetermined trip event is occurring, thereby recording data for the event
rather than waiting for a next period of one of the periodic recordings to initiate recording;

saving the recorded trip data and geographic position recorded as a result of a trip event in the database;

graphically displaying the recorded trip data and the recorded geographic position as a function of time, from the database, wherein the graphically displayed trip data and geographic position from recording as a result of a trip event is displayed differently than the graphically displayed trip data and geographic position from periodic recording.

Claim 2 (original): The method of claim 1 wherein choosing an instant in time causes corresponding recorded trip data and recorded geographic position to be displayed.

Claim 3 (original): The method of claim 1 wherein choosing a geographic position causes temporally corresponding recorded trip data to be displayed.

Claim 4 (canceled)

Claim 5 (canceled)

Claim 6 (original): The method of claim 4 further comprising graphically displaying only the event trip data.



Claim 7 (original): The method of claim 1 wherein a method for graphically displaying geographic position is further comprising:

recording geographic position periodically in terms of latitude and longitude; and plotting the geographic position on a map containing latitude and longitude information.

Claim 8 (original): The method of claim 1 wherein the periodic recording of trip data is based on a periodic interval of time and the periodic recording of geographic position is based on a periodic interval of distance.

Claim 9 (currently amended): A system for tracking for a vehicle, trip data in relation to geographic position, said system comprising:

a recording means for recording trip data periodically and geographic position periodically;

a time stamping means for time stamping trip data and geographic position as each is recorded;

a database means for storing recorded trip data and recorded geographic position; and a graphical display means for displaying the recorded trip data and the recorded geographic position as a function of time, from the database;

a monitoring means for continuously monitoring trip data;

predetermined trip events; and

a comparison means for comparing monitored trip data to predetermined trip events and, when a match is found, signaling the recording means to record and time stamp trip data and geographic position, whereby the recording for the predetermined trip events is indifferent to the periodic recording of trip data and vehicle position.

Claim 10 (original): The system of claim 9 wherein choosing an instant in time causes corresponding recorded trip data and recorded geographic position to be displayed.

Claim 11 (original): The system of claim 9 wherein choosing a geographic position causes temporally corresponding recorded trip data to be displayed.



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Claim 12 (canceled)

Claim 13 (currently amended): The system of claim [[12]] 9 wherein the graphically displayed trip data and geographic position from data recorded as a result of a trip event is displayed differently than the graphically displayed trip data and geographic position from periodic recording.

Claim 14 (currently amended): The system of claim [[12]] 9 further comprising a graphical display option for graphically displaying only the event trip data.

Claim 15 (original): The system of claim 9 wherein geographic position is recorded in terms of latitude and longitude and the graphical display means plots the geographic position on a map containing latitude and longitude information.

Claim 16 (original): The system of claim 9 wherein the periodic recording of trip data is based on a periodic interval of time and the periodic recording of geographic position is based on a periodic interval of distance.

Claim 17 (canceled)

Claim 18 (canceled)